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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**In re application of: **Zezhang Hou**Attorney Docket No.: **AUDIP006**Application No.: **09/813,430**Examiner: **Michalski, J.**Filed: **March 20, 2001**Group: **2644****RECEIVED  
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37 CFR §§1.56 AND 1.97(b)****Mail Stop Amendment  
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Dear Sir:

The reference listed in the attached PTO Form 1449, may be material to examination of the above-identified patent application. Applicants submit this reference in compliance with their duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.56 and 1.97. The Examiner is requested to make this reference of official record in this application.

This Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made, that additional information material to the examination of this application does not exist, or that this reference indeed constitute prior art.

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